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OVERVIEW

Peter focuses his practice on federal income tax matters, including corporate mergers and acquisitions. He regularly represents private equity and venture capital firms and entrepreneurs on dispositions and acquisitions of portfolio companies.

Peter represents domestic and foreign individuals and business entities in day-to-day operational matters and complex business transactions, including business startups, mergers and acquisitions, business and capital restructurings, and U.S. inbound and outbound investment matters.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented WildFire Energy's \$1.425 billion acquisition of Chesapeake Energy Corporation's Brazos Valley region of its Eagle Ford assets.
- Advised The Halifax Group in the sale of its majority stake in Southern Exteriors, a full-service installer of exterior building solutions tailored primarily for single-family homebuilders in the southeastern U.S., to Monomoy Capital Partners.
- Advised Pelican Energy Partner in its definitive agreement to acquire GSE Solutions.
- Represented Softworld, Inc., a leading technology staffing and workforce solutions firm, in its sale to Kelly Services, Inc. (Nasdaq: KELYA, KELYB).
- Advised Kofile, Inc., and its majority investor, Audax Private Equity, in its October 2, 2020, acquisition of Bizodo, Inc. (d/b/a SeamlessDocs).
- Advised a leading provider of physical therapy services in its \$600 million sale to a global private markets investment manager.
- Advised a Korean investment management company in multiple ABS-backed transactions totaling more than \$2 billion.

AWARDS

- ACG Houston, Deal of the Year (2023)
- ACG Houston, E&P Upstream Deal of the Year (2023)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- [International Tax](#)
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ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

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EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law, LL.M., 2002
- Chicago-Kent College of Law at Illinois Institute of Technology, J.D., *with honors*, 2001, staff member and website editor, *Chicago-Kent Law Review*, 1999-2001
- University of Florida, B.A., 1996

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Illinois

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Tax Court

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "[Mergers and Acquisitions of Pass-Through Entities: Structuring to Minimize Taxes and Maximize Deal Value](#)," *Strafford*, August 6, 2025.
- Speaker, "Mergers and Acquisitions of Pass-Through Entities: Structuring to Minimize Taxes and Maximize Deal Value," *Strafford Legal Webinar*, August 18, 2022.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "[The One Big Beautiful Bill Act: Analysis of Key Provisions for Private Equity Funds and Their Portfolio Companies](#)," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, July 15, 2025.
- Co-author, "[The One Big Beautiful Bill: Initial Analysis of Key Provisions for Private Equity Funds and Their Portfolio Companies](#)," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, June 9, 2025. Cited in *The Lever* and *MSN*, June 19, 2025.
- Author, "Proposed Changes to Code Section 1061 Contemplate Significant Changes for Real Estate Funds and Developers," *Locke Lord QuickStudy*, August 4, 2022.

- Author, “Making the Case for Interval and Tender Offer Funds – Hedge Fund and Private Equity Sponsors Can Increase Their Investor Base and Provide Liquidity to Investors,” Locke Lord, November 12, 2020.
- Author, “IRS Issues Carried Interest Guidance,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, August 7, 2020.
- Author, “Payroll Protection Program (‘PPP’) Participants Need to Beware That Expenses Paid with PPP Loans May Not be Tax Deductible Unless a Congressional Fix is Enacted,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, May 4, 2020.
- Author, “Federal Income Tax Considerations for Debt Workouts During an Economic Downturn – ‘S’ Corporation Considerations Supplement,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, April 14, 2020.
- Author, “Federal Income Tax Considerations for Debt Workouts During an Economic Downturn – Lender Considerations Supplement,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, April 14, 2020.
- Author, “Federal Income Tax Considerations for Debt Workouts During an Economic Downturn – ‘C’ Corporation Considerations Supplement,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, April 14, 2020.
- Author, “Federal Income Tax Considerations for Debt Workouts During an Economic Downturn,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, April 14, 2020.
- Author, “Federal Income Tax Considerations for Debt Workouts During an Economic Downturn – Partnership Considerations Supplement,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, April 14, 2020.
- Author, “UPDATE: CARES Act Guide: Overview of Key Business Tax Provisions,” Locke Lord Quick Study, April 2, 2020.
- Author, “Federal and State Governments Begin to Provide Economic Assistance via Tax Relief in the Face of COVID-19 Economy Disruptions,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, March 20, 2020.